

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON January 16, 2024.

Meeting called to order at 9:02 A.M. by Chairman Wayne Dralle with members Rusty Eddy and Greg Barnett present. Moved by Eddy second by Barnett to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve the minutes as read. All ayes. Motion carried.

During public comment a CN representative, Jeffrey Price, spoke via phone and introduced himself to the Board. He provided a statement from CN regarding the merger of CN and the Iowa Northern Railway Company to the Surface Transportation Bureau. The Board agreed to provide a letter of support this week.

Mike Stirling with the Butler County Fair Board provided a summary of the 2023 Butler County Fair financials and shared other County funding requests. He stated their current request is \$22,500 and the Board will make that decision during the budget process.

Board held FY25 Budget Workshop for General Relief, County Conservation and County Recorder.

- Sara Janssen with County Social Services reviewed the General Relief budget and explained the juvenile detention costs have exceeded the FY24 budget. Discussions were held regarding the facilities available and the costs associated with those. Supervisor Eddy stated he will work with Sara and the facilities on options to reduce costs.
- Matt Morris, County Conservation Director, reviewed their budget, provided salary comparisons and highlighted the following requests: 1. Complete a new shop that was originally budgeting in 2015 and 2016 but postponed due to flooding and finding a new site. Kelly Harken reviewed the new shop project and provided a blueprint. 2. A part-time office employee to work on claims, board packets, set Nature Center hours and handle online reservation. 3. Complete the bike trail from west of Dumont to the Butler County line which is being covered through a grant.
- Janice Jacobs, Recorder, stated that salaries were the only change in her FY25 budget.

Board considered a \$500 donation to the Shell Rock Watershed to assist acquiring a coordinator for their completed plan. Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve a \$500 donation. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Eddy, second by Barnett to approve Transfer Resolution 1093-2024 authoring a transfer from the Capital Projects to Secondary Roads. The roll was called and Resolution 1093-2024 was adopted as follows:

**TRANSFER RESOLUTION 1093-2024
Capital Projects to Secondary Roads**

WHEREAS the Butler County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve an FY24 transfer of \$462,654.50 from Capital Projects Fund 1500 to Secondary Roads Fund 0020.

WHEREAS this is to reimburse for construction payments for the T55 detour bridge.

THEREFORE, a motion was made by Eddy and seconded by Barnett stating such transfer.

UPON Roll Call the vote thereon was as follows:

AYES:	Rusty Eddy Wayne Dralle Greg Barnett	NAYS: None	ABSENT: N/A
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WHEREUPON The Resolution was declared duly adopted this 16th day of January 2024.

Wayne Dralle
Board of Supervisors, Chairperson

ATTEST: *Leslie Groen*, County Auditor

John Riherd, County Engineer provided updates regarding the recent snowstorms and the amount of overtime needed, updated the Board on the detour bridge and anticipated the old bridge to be removed this summer. Riherd mentioned an upcoming meeting with Shell Rock to discuss the crossing elimination grant and shared that he is working on facilities planning to build/update shops in the County. They also discussed recent equipment purchases.

Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve claims. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motioned by Barnett, second by Eddy to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:11 A.M. to January 23, 2024, at 9:00 A.M. All ayes. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa on January 16, 2024.

Attest: Leslie Groen
Butler County Auditor

Wayne Dralle
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors